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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant hereby submits an Information Disclosure Statement for consideration by the Examiner.

I. LIST OF PATENTS, PUBLICATIONS, AND OTHER INFORMATION

The patents, publications and other information requested to be considered by the Office (except unpublished U.S. patent applications) are listed on Form 1449 attached hereto.

II. COPIES

A. ____ Submitted herewith is a legible copy of (i) each U.S. patent application publication and U.S. and foreign patent; (ii) each publication or that portion which caused it to be listed; (iii) for each cross-referenced pending U.S. application listed below in Section IV, the application specification including the claims, and any drawing of the application which caused it to be listed including the claims directed to that portion; and (iv) all other information or that portion which caused it to be listed.

B. ____ Any patents, publications or other information which are listed on Form 1449 or on the copies of PTO-892, but which are not enclosed herewith, were previously cited by or submitted to the PTO in one of the following applications which has been relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120:

U.S. Serial Number

U.S. Filing Date

C. X Because the present application was being filed after June 30, 2003, no copies of the U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications which are listed on the attached Form 1449 are enclosed pursuant to the waiver of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(i). Any foreign patent documents or non-patent literature listed on the attached Form 1449 are enclosed herewith.

D. ____ This is a PCT application in the entry of the National Phase in the United States. A copy of the International Search Report is attached for the Examiner's information. The documents listed on the International Search Report are listed on the attached Form-1449 for consideration by the Examiner and for listing on any patent resulting from this application. If the International Search Report was from the US, EPO, or JPO search authorities, copies of these references should have been supplied to the USPTO under the trilateral agreement and are believed to be in the file of the above-identified application. (MPEP 1893.03(g))

III. CONCISE EXPLANATION OF THE RELEVANCE (check at least one box)

A. X Except as may be indicated below in (B), all of the patents, publications or other information are in the English language (concise explanation not required).

B. X A concise explanation of the relevance of each patent, publication or other information listed that is not in the English language is as follows (see 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)):

1. ____ See the attached foreign patent office communication from a counterpart foreign application.
2. ____ English translations are provided.
3. X Other:

DE 4136895C1:

Appears to disclose a vehicle having a convertible roof and a tonneau cover that opens to allow extension and retraction of the convertible roof.

DE 19514022C1:

Appears to disclose a cable driven hardtop convertible roof system for an automotive vehicle.

DE 3733892:

A passenger car roof comprises a front roof part (2), a main roof part (3) and a rear window part (4). The rear roof pillar (5, 6) is divided in such a manner that one piece (5) remains on the main roof part and one piece (6) remains on the rear window part (4). The passenger car roof may be placed into the boot (9) by first of all sliding the front roof part (2) onto the main roof part (3), after which the rear window part (4) is moved with the main roof part (3) into a rear position by being swiveled rearwards. In this position the main roof part (3) and the rear window part (4) are lowered in such a manner that the rear window part (4)

comes to lie on the main roof part (3) with the front roof part lying between the two parts (4, 3). When the boot lid is open, swiveling the retracted parts (2, 3, 4) upwards gives improved the access to the boot when the passenger car roof (1) is retracted. Three-section grooved plates are provided on both sides of the interior of the boot to guide the parts (2, 3, 4).

DE 3743502:

A cabriolet (convertible) has a folding-top compartment cover (4) which is coupled via two mountings (7) to a partition wall (6) which delimits the boot (2). The mounting (7) essentially comprises a toothed segment (10) and a gear (13) which moves in rolling contact on the latter via a guide lever (12) and on which, offset by an eccentricity (e), there is mounted pivotably a hinge part (14) which is attached to the folding-top compartment cover (4). This hinge part has an end portion (14') on which an intermediate link (17) engages, which link, for its part, is mounted pivotably on a mounting pin (11). Because of the mounting (7), as the rear edge (4') of the folding-top compartment cover (4) is being moved from its closed position (a) into its extreme open position (b), it is initially moved obliquely upwards and forwards (path g') and then rearwards via an approximately circular arc-shaped path (h).

JP 1-111525:

PURPOSE: To reduce \square raveling resistance by enabling a roof panel and back window to be moved forward and backward and a concealed cover to be pivoted by an automatic operation and covering the roof panel and back window received in a car body with the concealed cover.

CONSTITUTION: When a roof panel 1 and back window 2 constituting an opening and closing roof are in the normally attached position and said roof received in a car body is opened, a concealed cover 3 is first pivoted about a fulcrum 4 by the power of a drive device 37 to stand up. Next, the back window 2 is pivoted about a fulcrum 6 by the operation of a drive device 19 and the roof panel 1 is folded about a fulcrum 7 relative to the back window 2 following the pivoting of back window to be moved rearward. The inner surface of back window is directed upward by said movement of roof panel 1 and the opening and closing roof is received in a space 5 with the roof panel 1 being mounted on the inner surface. Then, the cover 3 is returned to the original position.

JP 61-247515:

PURPOSE: To improve the external appearance and functioning of a car body so better, by installing an interlocking mechanism which holds a cover member covering a housing part at a closing position when a tiltable pillar situated in both rising and housing positions and, when this tiltable pillar moves between these positions, makes this cover member operate for opening.

CONSTITUTION: An open-top type automobile is provided with a housing part 1 and a trunk room 2 at the rear of its body, and a rear part of a tiltable pillar 3 rising from a front part of the housing part 1 is covered with a rear cover member 4, while a rear part of the housing part 1 is covered with an on-off type cover member 6. In this case, a pinion 14 is rotated by a motor 15 via a transmission shaft 16, and furthermore a sector 13 to be

engaged with this pinion 14 is rotated around a pin 9. And, with rotation of the sector 13, for example, toward a downward direction, the tiltable pillar 3 unitized with this sector is rotated rearward. Likewise, with rotation of this sector 13, the cover part 6 is interlockingly rotated upward around a pin 12 via link mechanisms 17-19.

C. X The following additional information is provided for the Examiner's consideration.

Rear strut tower bars:

Applicant is aware of the use of rear strut tower bars that tie the two rear struts together, increasing the overall chassis stiffness. It is believed such rear strut tower bars were in use prior to March, 2004. The rear strut tower bars, however, appear to be designed to be substantially fixedly attached to the rear strut towers. The article "Stunt Bars & Anti-Sway Bars," submitted herewith with the Form 1449, is believed to be indicative of such rear strut tower bars.

IV. CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION(S)

A. X The Examiner is advised that the following co-pending application(s) contain(s) subject matter that may be related to the present application. By bringing this(these) application(s) to the Examiner's attention, Applicant(s) does(do) not waive the confidentiality provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 122.

<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Art Unit</u>	<u>U</u>	<u>Atty. Docket No.</u>
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10/359,949	02/06/2003	3612		5362-000475

V. THIS IDS IS BEING FILED UNDER

A. X **37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b):** (check only one box)

1. within three months of the filing date of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under § 1.53(d) (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(1)). No fee or certification is required.

2. within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in §1.491 in an international application (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(2)). No fee or certification is required.

3. X before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3)). No fee or certification is required. In the event that a first Office Action on the merits has been issued, please consider this IDS under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) and see the certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) below; or, if no certification has been made, charge our deposit account a fee in the amount of \$180.00 as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).

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1. ____ No certification; therefore, a fee in the amount of \$180.00 is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).

2. ____ See the certification below. No fee is required.

C. ____ **37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d):**

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1. ____ See the certification below. A fee in the amount of \$180.00 is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).

VI. **CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e):** (check only one box)

The undersigned hereby certifies that:

A. ____ each item of information contained in this IDS was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this IDS (See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1)). See further statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(d) below in section VII, if applicable; or

B. ____ no item of information contained in this IDS was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in this IDS was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this IDS (See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(2)).

C. ____ Some of the items of information were first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office. As to this information, the undersigned hereby certifies that each item of information contained in this IDS was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this IDS. As to the remaining information, the undersigned hereby certifies that no item of this remaining information contained in this IDS was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a

counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in this IDS was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this IDS.

VII. STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.704(d)

The undersigned hereby states that:

___ each item of information contained in this IDS was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application and this communication was not received by any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than thirty days prior to the filing of this IDS.

VIII. PAYMENT OF FEES (check only one box)

A. ___ A check in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed for the above-identified fee.

B. ___ Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0275 in the amount of \$180.00 for the above-indicated fee. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

The above references are being cited only in the interest of candor and without any admission that they constitute statutory prior art, contain matter which anticipates the invention, or which would render the same obvious, either singly or in combination, to a person of ordinary skill in the art. Furthermore, this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed as a representation that a search has been made.

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Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 50-0275.

Respectfully submitted,

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